

REMARKS

Claims 18-20, 44 and 100-108 are pending. Claims 1-4, 6-17, 21-24, 26-43 and 54-59 have been rejected. Claims 1-17, 21-43, and 45-99 have been canceled.

Objection to Claim 44

Claim 44 has been objected to for reciting the term “comprises” twice. Claim 44 has been amended to cure the objection.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Claim 30 has been rejected as being indefinite under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claim 30 has been canceled. The rejection to claim 30 is therefore moot.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a)

Claim 1-4, 6-17, 21-24, 26-43, and 54-99 have been rejected as being obvious under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 5,605,696 to Eury et al. in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,304,767 to Heller et al. Applicants respectfully disagree and maintain that the claims 1-4, 6-17, 21-24, 26-43, 54-99 are patentably allowable over Eury et al. and Heller et al., individually or combined, for the reasons as mentioned in the Response to Office Action filed on July 29, 2005. However, to facilitate the prosecution, Applicants have canceled these claims.

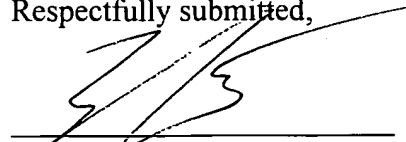
Allowed Subject Matter

Claims 18-20, 44, and 100-108 are allowed.

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney at (415) 393-9885.

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